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REDUCTION OF FUND
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Will the Minister of SHIPPING be pleased to state:

(a) whether the allocation for Karnataka's New Mangalore Port Trust has been drastically reduced;

(b) if so, the main reasons for the reduction of the allocation;

(c) the extent to which it will affect the development of the Mangalore Port Trust;

(d) whether the State Government has been urging not to reduce these allocations; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING (SHRI DILIPKUMAR MANSUKHLAL GANDHI)

(a) to (c) Annual Plan allocations for major ports are finalized on the basis of the expenditure estimated to be incurred on specific Plan Schemes/Projects which have been identified for implementation during the particular year, after taking into account the availability of the resources. For the year 2003-04, a Plan outlay of Rs.25.00 crores as projected by the New Mangalore Port Trust (NMPT) was approved by the Government. Hence, the question of reduction of funds or development of the Port being affected does not arise.

(d) No, Sir.

(e) Does not arise.